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On the 6th January, at Nagasaki, Simao Rozanio DE SOUZA, aged 67 years.

alress.

HONGEONG OFFICE: 14, DESVOUX ROAD Cl. LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C. Hongkong, 21st January, 1904

An important departure in the carrying out of the Tytamtuk waterworks scheme has just been made public through the medium of a paper laid before the Legislative Council at its meeting on Tuesday. When after the severe drought of two years ago it was finally decided to undertake the construction of a low-level pumping reservoir at Tytamtuk that would practically double the present water-supply of the island, it was felt that at last we were to be put beyond the dangers and annoyances attendant upon our annually recurrent water-famines. It was recognised, of course, that at least two or three years must elapse before the Colony would be enabled to enjoy the blessings of an enhanced and sufficient supply, but public clamour was hushed, for the community were satisfied that the Government, after many years of deferred activity, should have at length shown that it had determined to face the situation squarely and rectify a state of matters which had been discreditable to the good name of Hongkong. Now it appears that the trial works that have been carried out show that it is questionable whether or no the site on the low level of Tytamtuk Valley which appeared so admirably adapted for the construction of a dam of moderate dimensions and having a large impounding capacity will be the most favourable, and with a view to arriving at a proper conclusion it has been found advisable to carry out works of a similar kind on other sites. On two sites farther inland than that originally proposed such works have already been undertaken, and it is probable that one of these will be ultimately fixed upon from economical as well as from constructional considerations;

for owing to the configuration of the

country the low-level reservoir would require a tremendously deep damming-wall as compared with one at a higher altitude, and would take much longer to build. Even when the site is definitely fixed upon, no hope can be held out that the community will derive any benefit from the new

reservoir till the end of 1906, at soonest. So, with the view of curtailing this waterless hiatus, the Hon. W. CHATHAM, the Director of Public Works, brought forward a scheme that only requires to be examined to be commended. Mr. CHATHAM says, in effect, that owing to the prolonged period to be occupied in the completion of the whole scheme it is desirable that some works to meet present requirements should be undertaken at once. Accordingly be proposed to construct a dam higher up the valley on a site already suggested as an alternative site in the Tytamtuk Scheme by the Hon. FRANCIS A. COOPER, Director of Public Works, in 1896. The present proposal contemplates an amplification of Mr. Coorea's plan, so that the capacity of this dam will be one hundred and ninety-four million gallons in place of one hundred millions, a quantity which the numping engines now on order will be capable of dealing with and lifting to the Tytam level. Writing in October last, Mr. CHATHAM estimated that there was available for tiding

thirty-three days' supply. Of this new dam the natural drainage area amounts to four hundred and seventy acres, of which two hundred and ten acres lie about the Tytam West catchwater supplying Tytam Reservoir, whilst the drainage of a large area situated entirely outside the present Tytam drainage area can be intercepted by catchwaters constructed along the southern slopes of the hills along the head of the valley. It will be seen therefore that the proposal can boast of numerous advantages. Mr. CHATHAM enumerates them

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above Ordnance Datum, it will not be overlapped by the construction of the larger dam to be undertaken hereafter and will On the 31st December, 1903, at Tientsin, the | therefore be of permanent benefit for storing

(5.) Being close to the small dam in connection with the temporary pumping-plant already established, the work-people can be conveniently housed below the latter so as to avoid the risk of pollution of the supply from this source.

The small dam above referred to is one, recently constructed, with a capacity of one and a half millions and equipped with an engine capable of pumping half-a-million gallons per day to the Tytam gauge-basin. It is satisfactory to note that Mr. CHATHAM'S proposal for the construction of this bigger auxiliary dam met with Sir HENRY BLAKE's strong support, and that on His Excellency's representations it has received the sauction of the Secretary

of State for the Colonies. The cost of the dam is to be paid for out of the sums voted for the Tytamtuk Scheme, of which it practically forms a part. We cannot hope to reap any advantage from the new reservoir during the present dry season, to Gyangtes Jong as soon as sufficient supplies Authority leads us to expect it will be available for the purposes of public supply in the 1904-5 dry season, by which time the pumping-engines will have come out from home. Mr. CHATHAM deserves the thanks of the community for the way in which he has carried through this scheme, if, we are led to believe, it will much to relieve the distress that has been borne by all classes in Horgkong of recent years and has been getting to be more burdensome as time went on and the watersupply became less and less proportionately as the population became more numerous.

greatly resembling that which affects cattle here. It is known in the Nanking neighbourhood as " red dysentery."

A Regular Meeting of the Eothen Mark Lodge will be held at the Freemasons' Hall on Wednesday, the 27th January, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

A meeting of the Church Missionary Associa- | S. Japan and the Loochoos. tion will be held in the City Hall at 5 p.m. to-day, with H.E. the Officer Administering | China, and pressure is relatively low over the Government in the chair. The Bishops Japan. of Caledonia and Victoria will speak of missionary work in British Columbia and China. We are asked to state that all are cordially invited to attend.

We note that the Japan Gazette, in their issue of the 2nd inst., reprint an article from the Daily Press, about the s.s. Finsbury, and credit it to the China Mail.

On p. 5 to-day we begin the first of a series of original weekly articles on Bridge. It is requested that all communications regarding this be addressed to "Mogul," care of Hongkong Daily Press. On this page will also be found a petition from the ladies of Hongkong on the subject of the registration of domestic servants in the Colony.

A Calcutta despatch, dated the 4th January. says:-The large consignments of India and Coylon toa that were recently purchased by Russian buyers at Calcutta and Colombo for consignment to Moscow via Dalny have not been able to proceed very far on their joursey on the Siberian railway owing to the fact that the line is now being used almost exclusively for the transport of war mate inle and troops.

been projected for some time between Formusa Meksagories Maritimes s.g. Annam. The s.s. electricity, which makes the services costly and investigations are now being made with a view to the reduction of expenditure.

It will be seen from our advertisement columns that Madame Candutti, a pupil of Rubinstein, will, with the assistance of local talent, give a concert in the Theatre on Saturday, February 6th inst. Madame Candutti comes to the Colony with high ree mmendations, and the concert is annuanced as being given under the patronage of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government and Mrs. May.

Mr. & Mrs. Taft left Yokohama for San Francisco on the Koren on the 7th inst. On the evening of the 4th instant a reception was given at the United States Legation at Tokyo to Mr. Taft. Prince Kanin was present, as were the Japanese Prime Minister, the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Marquis Oyama, the Minister of State for War, Marquis and Marchioness Nabeshima, Marquis Hachisuks, and many others. Nearly the whole American community of Tokyo and Yokohama attended.

A Tientsin despatch quoted by the N.-C. Daily News states that following the example of the Ministers of Foreign Powers at Seoul the Chinese Minister, Haii Tui-shan, also asked for a legation guard, consisting of a battalion of troops, from Vicercy Yuan Shikai with the request that the latter would help him to recommend the matter to the Throne. Vicercy Yuan Shikai, however, did not seem to think a guard necessary for the Chinese legation at Seoul, and so has refused to sand the troops

News was received at Railway Headquarters at Tientsin, says the P. & T. Times, statue that Conductor Frederick Miller had committed suicide at Tougshan. The deceased was formerly in the Royal Welsh Fasi iers, and joined the railway.s-rvice about a year ago. It appears that he was suspended from duty on the 30th ult, for a offence that was not a v-ry serious one, and the caused his shooting himself through the head. The deceased was very popular both with his co-workers as well as friends outside the service, and was to have been reinstated in his position in a few days.

The latest news received at Calcutta from the Chumbi Valley is that Colonel Young husband and the Tibet Mission are now at the foot of the Tangla Pass, and only await settled weather to cross it. A large quantity of supplies has been accumulated in the Chumbi Valley, so that even if the Teylappa Pass should now be closed by snow, as is highly probable to be the case very shortly, the Mission will be well provided with necessaries. A heavy snowfall which so blacked the Eimls railway that passengers had to spend a night on the road, has not extended to the Eastern Himalayas, and there is pothing therefore to interfere with the advance but it is a consoling fact that the Water have been pushed up the Tanglak. The Pass which has to be crossed en route, though 15,700 feet high, is easy.

A home contemporary says :- Sir West Ridgeway, who has just returned from Ceylon to this country, will be long remembered in the island for his encouragement of railway and harbour schemes. It was during the eight years of his administration that Colombo developed into one of the great ocean ports of the world. The breakwaters, patent slip, and other harbour works which he initiated caused the headquarters of the mail steamers to be removed from Galle to Colombo, while his policy has made Colombo second only to Hongkong in dock accommodation among the ports of the East. He has bequeathed to his uccessor, Sir Henry Blake, a scheme for A cattle-disease is reported from Nanking | turning 187 acres of swamp into new docks which will give berthing accommodation to thirty of the largest ocean-going steamers afloat.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued

the following report On the 20th at 11.50 a.m.: - The barometer has risen slightly over China, fallen moderately over

Gradients moderate with strong monsoon i the Formosa Channel, rather steep with heavy monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast :--- fresh N. winds ; fine

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT] THE MORTHERN CRISIS.

SINGAPORE, 20th January, 4.15 p.m. JAPANESE AND RUSSIAN SHIPS

HURRYING EAST,

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha's s.s. Tambamaru sailed for Kobe at mid-day to-day. The Russian s.s. Kazan followed ten minutes later, carrying 2,000 troops.

[In a Daily Press telegram, appearing on the 18th inst.; it was notified that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha s.s. Tamba-maru was to discharge all her carge at Singapore, and return to Japan, having received telegraphic instruc-The system of wireless telegraphy which has | tions. The passengers transhipped to the and Miesaki, near Nagusaki, was experimented | Lukba-maru is a twin-screw vessel of 6,130 tons | up as ideal troop-ships to pour in soldiers from with ou the night of the 14th ult. The experi- gross. Heing one of the finest vessels of India or other parts of the Empire. Though ment gave satisfactory results, but the opera- the N.Y.K one of their Japan-Europe Britain has been accused-rightly accused, tions required a very strong charge of liners—she would, should it be found perhaps—of taking a deep sleep in Extreme necessary, make an excellent transport. The Asia, it looks as if she is waking up. She has Russian s.s. Kazen passed the Suez Canal en | wonderful resources out here-resources which route to the Far East on New Year's day. Be- are difficult, if not impossible, to equal. Hongsides the 2,000 troops she has a quantity of kong itself may well be termed the," Gibraltar of artillery stores on board. Altogether 4,000 the Far East"; if it is not impregnable it very picked troops left Russia for the Far East via nearly approximates to that. Large ammunition Suez last month.—ED. D.P.]

REUTER'S SERVICE.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 18th Jenurry. The Japanese Minister sees the Tear to-day by invitation, for the purpose of conferring on the situation in the Far East.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, 18th January. The death is announced of Admiral Sir Harry Keppel.

THE DARDANELLES.

LONDON, 18th January. Absolutely nothing is known at Constantinople concerning the application for the passage of the Russian Black Sea fleet through the Dardanelles.

SOMALILAND-ITALY'S CONGRATULATIONS.

LONDON, 18th January.

The Italian Government has telegraphed its congratulations to the British Government on the victory in Somaliland.

GERMAN S.W. AFRICA.

LONDON, 18th January.

on the seriousness of the outbreak of the Hereros in German S.W. Africa, by which the fruits this where men-of-war are to go alongside. of ten years' labour had been destroyed. Reinforcements of troops and marines will sail immediately for the scene of action.

BLOEMFONTEIN FLOODED.

LONDON, 18th January. The lower portion of Bloemfontein has been flooded by a water-spout; three hotels and many houses have been destroyed; the number of dead is unknown; hundreds are homeless.

THE HEALTH OF HONGKONG.

We were notified from the Colonial Secretary's office yesterday that a telegram had been received from the Deputy Governor, British North Borneo, to the effect :- "Quarantine restrictions removed in Labuan and Borneo." pesitive scandal has thus been tardily remedied.

JAPAN AND THE CRISIS.

There being rumours yesterday to the effect

that the Japanese Government had bought up practically every launch in Japan, even the the mixer the concoction is emptied into smaller Tunsan launch at Kobe (which, it was said, had been rechristened the Tansan-maru), we made the moulds a fortnight or so before being taken enquiries about the matter on board the out in the form of blocks. Blocks are conveyed Canadian Pacific Railway Company's s.s. to Hongkong in block-barges; they are put system of Protection is not essential to the Empress of India. What those aboard observed is of interest. To begin with, many of the launches belonging to the Mitsui Bussan that England's motto with regard to Hongkong Kaisha Company have been taken up, but, as a base will be "Progress." as far us those of the Empress India know, that is all. When the liner was at Kobe, Tansan certainly was running as usual. The absence of Japanese warships at the ports of call was ominous. Many Japanese men-of-war, they heard, were at Sasebo, all ready for action, and awaiting events. The Army, too, was prominent by the absence of soldiers, it being understood that the men were awaiting immediate orders to embark from other part of the country where numerous coaled merchant-steamers were anchored and fitted up as troop-ships. The trans-Pacific liner Hongkong-maru, which has been taken up by the | \$1.839.58 in all were subscribed (H.E. Sir Henry Japanese Government, will make an ideal Blake, the officers and men of the H.K.V.C. belonging to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha. more educated inhabitants of "the land of the | \$1,146.86 (£106 0/6) has been banded to Mrs. The high pressure area still lies over Central Rising Sun," realising what war would mean, Power. She returns to England with her hope for a penceful settlement, at the same daughter and youngest son on the Dilwara, time, however, they commend their Government for their plucky determination to back up the interests of the people, even with the swordrifle would be more appropriate-should

be necessary.

BRITISH ACTIVITY IN THE FAR, CORRESPONDENCE. EAST.

HONGKONG AS A NAVAL BASE. Hongkong, being Britain's Far Eastern nava TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS." and military base, is now a great centre of War Department activity. Go where you may, along the foot of the hill, on the slopes, in the harbour and even over on the Kowloon side, military or naval bugles are to be heard. There is no great display, but the men-numbers of them-are always there, ready for embarkation or other orders at a moment's notice. Every now and again a British warship dodges in or out of port with as little ceremony as the departure of an ordinary freighter; tiny destroyers, too, are always on the move. Periodically, a transport arrives from India, on both sides,-Yours, etc.. stores concealed on the hillside are connected his duty to indicate the true and inward signiisland by small-gauge rails. Abreast of the lain in South Wales, and the pracise cause of man-of-war anchorage is the Naval Yard, where, | the enthusiasm which attended that campaign.

or farther west, shortly afterwards making a departure for more northern places; on the return journey they again look in to pick up detachments of time expired men. Several mail steamers calling here are ex-transports, having acted as such during the South African war; at a moment's notice they could be fitted with numerous batterles at different parts of the from Queen's Road, may be seen long tiers of latest pattern breech-loading guns of every size and condition. Near by are large stacks of common, shrapuel, and armour-piercing projectiles, besides other munitions of war too numerous for detail. Nearer citywards is encountered the new naval dockyard, now in course of construction; when this is completed the Admiralty will be entirely independent of outside concerns. On the Kowlcon side is torpedo depot where smaller craft are cared for. At Yaumati, also, we find Admiralty coal and fuel-shods; there is more coal, and broadarrow-marked patent fuel there than one would cars to speculate about. At present warships are coaled by means of junks. Junks take in coal by going alongside a rough wondon pier projecting from the water front, and convey it to warships moored on the other side of the harbour. This having been found an unsatisfactory arrangement the Admiralty recently entered into a contract with Messrs, Punchard Lowther & Co. to construct a coaling-pier and

jetty projecting from the coal sheds. The work, which has to be finished in three yearsit may be finished in two-is estimated to cost £100,000. In shape the pier will be something like the trunk of a tree well bent over on one side. From a broad base it will gradually assume t width of 18 feet, the length being about 200 feet. At the end will be a concrete and granite Count von Bülew in the Reichstag dwelt wharf, dimensions being about 250 feet long by 90 or 100 feet bread. It is on the off side of Depth of water there is about 25 feet, but dredgers are busily at work, it being intended to have 30 feet at low water. The pier itself will be of foreshore stone and hard rubble; some 15 25-cubic-yard boats dump their loads there daily. Concrete blocks will be made at Messrs. Punchard, Lowther's extensive works at Mataukok. Blocks made there up to date are being sent to the new dockyard works on the Hongkong side, where 1,000 a month are utilised. Th granite comes from quarries and blastings down the Metaukok hills. On the lumps being brought to the works, they are lifted by a crane on to a platform, and then thrown into the wedgeshaped jaws of a stone-crusher. There they are quickly chewed up. One jaw of that wedgeshaped gap is always on the move. working to and fro by machinery. The crushings fall into trucks below; when filled, these are towed away by an engine—there are three powerful locomotives in all. On the trucks interests of this country will be jeopardised. reaching the summit of an incline, the crushings are emptied on to a platform, from where they are taken in measurements and put into a revolving mixer, to be stirred up with measurements of sand and Green Island cement, From trucks to be taken off to moulds; it remains in

THE SUBSCRIPTION FOR MRS. POWER.

It will be remembered that a subscription was raised in this Colony last year on behalf of Mrs. Power, wife of ex-Sergeant-Major Power of the H.K.V.C., who was convicted of embezzlement of the Corps funds in October. Major of mercantile operations, and on its concrete side Pritchard, Commandant and Adjutant the various commodities of commerce, which, H.K.V.C. now sends us a statement of the fund for Mrs. Power, from which it appears that tracted to her open market. Who can assess contributing \$633, and the Sorgeants' Mess, R.G.A., \$113), and that after various expenses Japanese workmen seem to desire fight, but had been paid a bank draft to England for however inherently sound, can have relevant he and her daughter going free as nurses to officers' children, while a trifling sum will be paid for the small boy for food and Suez Canal dues. We are requested to convey Mrs. Power's thanks to all who subscribed to the fund.

THE FISCAL QUESTION.

Hongkong, 29th January. Sir,-I notice from the columns of your paper that the question of the desirability of free imports from foreign countries is being vigorously discussed by many of your correspendents. May I venture to express the hope that those gentlemen, and any others who are willing to take part, will be kind enough to communicate with me, with a view to a debate on the subject being started under the auspices. of the Hongkong Odd Volumes Society? This question is undoubtedly one of the most momentous ones of the hour, and a public discussion of it would be of considerable value, because it wou'd help to focus attention on the principal arguments which can be urged

> H. E. POLLOCK. Hon, Sec. Hongkong Odd Volumes Society

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Reform Club, London, 18th December. SIR,-I noticed the other day a letter addressed to the Press by a politician, and from it I gathered that, whilst not unmindful of the pain publicity might inflict, the writer felt it ficance of the success achieved by Mr. Chamber-

This politician was not. I observed, satisfied with giving the actual terms of an accepted resolution. To drive home the imperishable lesson of the fiscal victory so fairly gained, he proceeded to quote the language which he himself employed in its support, and from this I noted that, at the conclusion of his speech, drawing himself to his full height and pointing to his illustrious chief, Mr. Chamberlain, he exclaimed, with the pardonable pride of a showman directing attention to his most interesting exhibit, "I his, gentlemen, is the foremost man of his race."

Now, Sir, I deem the merits of the Imperial Fiscal Policy, of which Mr. Chamberlain is the only responsible advocate, to be largely overshadowed by the brilliant talents of the man. It would appear that England has nearly made up her mind to follow the man rather than the policy. This is a form of hero-worship which cannot be contemplated with equanimity. If Mr. Chamberlain is to be driven forward from Colonial Preference to British Protection, his Triumphal Car, in the language of the motorist, will be very apt to "skid," especially when negotiating those parts of the road where the treacherous self-interest is, if concealed, yet

If Mr. Chamberlain "skids," it means that the Empite will "skid." Upon whose shoulders would the blame lie? There is no doubt in my mind that history would trace such a disaster to the inability of the Free Trade or Free Food party to demonstrate the necessity of preserving to England in the fullest degree practicable every benefit which she now derives from her monopoly of Free Trade.

The Duke of Devoushire in saying that imports are receipts, and exports the sending out of our very substance, is confusing a "Balance Sheet" with a "Profit and Loss" account. Such an argument can only apply on the assumption that the imports are donations. Again, can any practical value be attached to his advice when he says, "If you retaliate, do it

I have sufficiently suggested that I am not a "Free-trader" nor a "Free-fooder"; and on the. other hand I am not a "Protectionist"; but Sir, I claim to be a "Proportionist." The inexcrable law of proportion should in my opinion govern our fiscul policy, and at that moment when this law is disregarded, the

Mr. Chamberlain is widening his platform. The word "Protection" now bears the accent of his approval. I have great faith in the Imperial Policy, and wish success to every Missionary of Empire; but I see no necessity to join the Protectionist Pilgrimage. The value of Protection is to be measured by the balance of national benefit which its application secures, and in no other way. A general down by divors. Many great naval undertakings a Imperial Fiscal Policy and if, under the guise at Hongkong are of recent date. Let us hope of preference to the Colonies, and the creation thereby of a definite community of interest within the borders of the Empire, Mr. Chamberlain inoculates this country with what, on the present lie of the facts, would be nothing less than the festering pestilence of protection, his opportunity for the consolidation of the Empire may, perchance, vanish for ever.

England is the natural theatre of the world's commercial activity, an activity which on its abstract side embraces banking, shipping, and insurance, together with the allied enterprises following the line of least resistance, are atthe value which this position confers?

It must be recognised once and for all that the particular argument in favour of any particular industry, however perfectly presented, and application to the whole question of our fise a policy only after its relation and proper proportion to the whole has been accurately determined.

Mr. Chamberlain had a great deal to do with the recent Sugar legislation, and I am not going to stop here to enquire as to the propriety of his motives; but, anybow, if the facts have THE

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO

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T. ARNOLD, Secretary. Hongkong, 18th January, 1904.

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BRIDGE.

It is requested that all communications referring to this column be addressed to "Mogal," care of HONGKONG DAILY PRESS.

At the outset it may be stated—perhaps superfluously-that the object of this column is not to teach Bridge. Few of the many good players in this Colony would undertake to lay down the law to their fellows; but there are Community in this Colony, respectfully request equally few, perhaps even none, who are so that legislation may be introduced to cope with Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. proficient in the game that they are unable at the existing difficulties in connection with times to learn a little from less competent and Chinese domestic servants, viz., -- boys, houseexperienced players than themselves. There- coolies, cooks, vehicle-coolies, and amaks. fore it is intended to invite amateurs—if, in- |: 2.—During the greater part of every day we deed, any Bridge players are amateurs-to are left alone in our houses, and in the majority send in records of interesting or difficult of cases the domestic servants, taking advantage hands which have come under their notice to criticise the play of such hands, and obey orders, are lazy and insolent. to indicate any points which may . occur to them as being of interest to the average

We have heard that an attempt has been made at home to unify the various laws, conventions, and codes of Bridge, but as yet nothing has come to hand.

It may be said that owing to the comparative. correct play in this and similar instances the cases. better for the game.

popular even than is the case.

Hongkong, and we trust that no one will hesitate to append notes and suggestions to any hand he may consider to be of sufficient interest to send in-still less will be hesitate to criticise our notes on any game presented which may come under our personal notice. We give here an interesting hand played by

some of the best players in London. Score, love all. AB YZ are partners. A deals and declares no trumps. Y leads Diamond J

and B lays down :-Hearts. A Q J 10 8 5 3 Diamonds. 9.6 Clubs.

Spades. Trick 1. Y, Diamond J; B, 6; Z, 3; A, Q. 2 A, Heart 6; Y, 2; B, 10; Z, 9!!

This is the interesting point. Of course if Dummy goes on with the ace of hearts it is all over, bar shouting, for A makes seven bearts, two spades, two diamonds, and a club-little slam; but ladies of Hongkong, and that we have a right Z's brilliant idea is that he will make A believe. that the heart K is in Y's hand, and get him to finesse again, which he did, as will be seen. In any case, apart from considerations which we shall notice later, Z only stands to lose one trick, and may save the game. So

We gee :-Trick 3-Dummy, Spade 6; Z, 3; A, 10; Y, K 4-Y. Diamond 10; B, 6; Z, 5; A, Ace. 5-A, Heart 4; Y, 7; B, J; Z, K,

and takes the trick. He leads back a diamond and AB make the odd trick only.

It occurs to one that if Z had taken the first heart trick and led back a diamond that Y might have had Ace 10 of that suit and have caught the King in A's hand. Foster says, the ten lead can be from nothing else than K J 10 and others. We think that the J is better, though many others, especially whist-players,

always lead the 10. Again, if A had only one heart, he must have finessed the 10 and returned the Ace, when of course he would have caught Z's King and made his seven hearts.

In any event this hand is an exceedingly interesting one, and we think that Z. should be congratulated on the success of his really brilliant coup.

The other hands were as follow: --K Q 8 6 AQJ10 S. K95 MOGUL.

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REGISTRATION OF DOMESTIC SERVANTS.

The following is the petition which Hon. H. E. Pollock desired to present at the Legislative Council on Tuesday, and which was ruled out of order :--

1.—Your Petitioners, ladies of the European

of the absence of the master of the house, dis-

3 -Our husbands or brothers, owing to their business engagements, have not the time to spend in instituting and attending prosecutions at the Magistracy, and it is highly distasteful as well as most inconvenient to ourselvesespecially in the summer season—to take steps personally to have offenders punished.

4.—Our only remedy is to dismiss the offendnewness of the game and its infinite varieties, ing parties; but such dismissalis a poor remedy, opinions of the best players are widely for we must angage fresh servants, unless, as Directors together with Statement of Accounts divergent on such vital points as, for instance, often happens, we are boycotted, and such fresh the advisability of descarding from strongth or servants come to us as a rule without any certi weakness, or of leading the highest heart or ficates of character. Even if they bring certithe highest of the shortest suit by the elder ficates of character we are often unable to find hand when his partner has doubled no tramps. out whether the character relates to the person Much may be said for and against either side presenting it, for there is no means of identifiin each case, but there must be a right and cation, and the perpetual fluctuation of the a wrong, and the sooner players are informed | European community renders enquiry as to the by the Bridge "powers that be" what is the bona-fides of an applicant impossible in many

5 .- Some of us have lived for many years in The American game of whist-duplicate this Colony, and can state most positively that whist-probably presents the most perfect card | the demouncur and capability of domestic sergame of its kind, as no advantage is derived from | vants have deteriorated in recent years, with holding superior cards, and could some method | the result that domestic economy is a source of of playing Bridge on similar lines be invented increasing annoyance and strain every day to the newer game would doubtless be more your petitioners, who have enough already to contend with in the climatic conditions.

Apart from fundamental principles which | 6.-We respectfully assert that our relation we do not feel competent to open, we believe to domestic servants cannot be judged by that that adequate discussion may perhaps tend which prevails at Government House or Headto raise the average standard of Bridge in quarter House, or in bachelor establishments. The perquisites and the status of servents at Government House or Head-quarter House tend to render them more attentive, respectful, and diligent; whilst the pay in bachelor establishments is notoriously very high, and therefore attractive; though in bachelor establishments there are, we believe, more often than not, grave causes of complaint on the side of the masters.

7.-We further submit that our experience should not be compared with, or rejected in favour of, the experience of the few influential members of the community who obtain their servants though a Chinese compradore, who is responsible for their conduct, and whose interest it is to see that no cause of trouble arises in respect of incivility, or wages, or any other

8.-We would impress on Your Excellency that we represent the bulk of the European to have our grievances seriously and impartially considered and legislated for.

9.—We are not asking for oppressive legislation in our favour as against the interests of the Chinese; we are merely asking that every Chinese who offers himself or herself as a servent should come with credentials which can be relied upon. It must be obvious that any system which raises the standard of servants must benefit the servant as well as the master, be he European or Chinese.

10.-It is almost superfluous to remind Your Excellency of the large number of larcenies which have been committed by servants, or in collusion with servents, in the dwelling houses of Europeans and Chinese alike, during the last few months. Such occurrences would, in our opinion, be rendered far less frequent if the proposals set out in the next paragraph are given the effect of law.

11 .- We respectfully beg that Your Excellency will initiate legislation on the following or similar lines :--

(a) Computerry registration of all domestic servants.

(b) Compulsory photographing of all domestic servants. (c) Compulsory taking out of registration

certificates. (d) Compulsory entries of charge of services

on the registration certificates. (e) All the other measures embodied in the draft Bill which formed an Appendix to the recent Report of the Private Chair and

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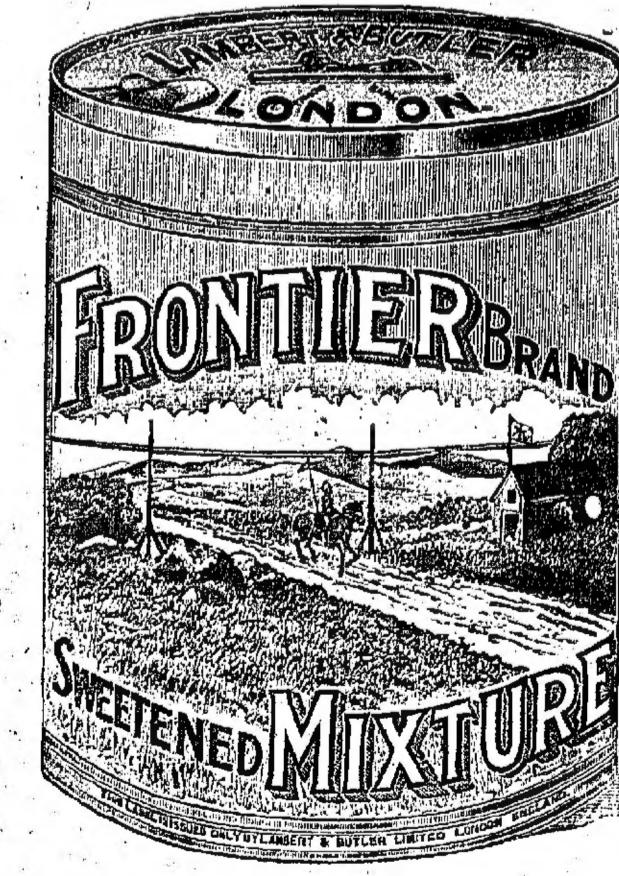
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PORTLAND & ASIATIC Co | 30th inst.

2nd Feb.

16th Feb.

1st Mar.

To-day.

To-day.

About 3rd Feb.

3rd Feb., at Noon.

About 30th inst.

22nd March.

To-morrow.

27th inst.

10th Feb.

28th inst.

26th inst., P.M.

About 2nd Feb.

9th Feb., at 4 P.M

About 27th inst.

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29th inst., D'light.

27th inst., at Noon.

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23rd inst., 10 A.M.

24th inst., 10 A.M.

27th inst., at 8 A.M

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SAILING DATES.

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the increased cost of sugar to England is quite out of proportion to the advantage, actual or potential, gained by a West Indian Colony, or have been justified.

though possibly not potential value, are greater | 27th January ;to-day than our exports to the Colonies. Nothing must be done, therefore, for the benefit, of any particular industry if, as a consequence, our cost of production of manufactures is to be sensibly increased, and the opportunities which we now enjoy of foreign trade are to be perceptibly diminished.

preference to our Colonies must have as account. ts fundamental basis a moderate tax on food is axiomatic, and it is because of my conviction that the disadvantage of such Mr. E. Shellim was invited to join the board in a 'tax will be more than compensated by a his place, and this appointment now requires practical community of interest throughout confirmation, the Empire, that I arge the acceptance of this policy a policy governed by a proper sense

of Imperial proportion. It is true that Protectionists are not all fools; it is equally true that the greatest statesman is not infallible, and that the " foremost man of his race" is, after all, human .--I am, Sir, Your obedient servant,

J. MALCOLM LYON.

ARRIVAL OF NAVAL RATINGS FROM SHANGHAI.

Thirty-three Naval ratings arrived from Shanghai on the evening before last on the China Navigation Company's s.s. Kalgan, and proceeded to H.M.S. Tamar. Leaving Shanghai on the 15th inst., the Kalgan had a somewhat tempestuous voyage down the coast, Capt. Speed reporting strong mouseon and high sea to Breaker Point, but from thence to port light winds and fine weather The sailormen passengers, of course, were quite at home to the bad weather.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

N.-C. Daily News says :- It comes from a well-informed source in Japan that the tiwo cruisers, Nisshin and Kasuga, now coming out from Genoa to reinforce the Japanese fleet, will be delivered in Shanghai. They are said to be coming out as far as here under the British flag, though why British rather than Argentine, that of the government from which they have been purchased, is not stated.

The Shanghai Mercury in its issue of the 14th inst. understands that a squadron of the Japanese fleet has been seen cruising near the Saddle Islands. Referring to this editorially By interest on mortgages.......\$202,006.75 the Mercury says :-- Outside Woosung and near the Saddles is a squadron of Japanese warvessels and torpedo-boats. They may merely out there for a craise, but they may be waiting for the final word to seize a stray Russian war-vessel or a steamer they know to be laden with munitions of war. But although the horizon looks dark, we still hope and believe that Russia, as is her wont, will cave in at the very last moment.

The Yorodsii states that the Japanese Government has decided to fleat war bonds to the amount of 100,000,000 yen bearing five per cent. interest, at the rate of 96 for every 100 yen. The bonds will be floated in Japan in the event of an outbreak of hostilities between Russis and Japan. The floating of the new bonds will be officially announced. In the meantime all for the purpose of receiving the report of the preparations are being made for the issue of the directors together with statement of accounts

Japan Herald, in the following paragraph, shows by example the result of the Press censorship on the vernacular press:-A rumour, probably originating in the Stock Exchange, was circulated in town this afternoon. that a naval battle had taken place in the between a . . and . . . war-

ship, with the result that the latter was driven ashore. We have been unable to obtain any confirmation of this rumour. The report is said to have emanated from . . . Owing to the Press regulations we are unable to publish fullor details:

L'Echo de Chine in a recent issue reports that M. Deleassé stated in a meeting of the French Cabinet that the situation in the Far East appears to be improving.

The Russian Budget, it is said, has nowhere caused any special remarks in Europe. Under the heading of "Expenses in the Far East' is the amount of seventeen million roubles for the construction of a railway going round Lake

HOCKEY.

H.K.H.C. v. 110th MAHRATTA LIGHT INFANTRY, and passed. - Carried. Played at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon. _110th Mahrattas, 4; H.K.H.C., 0.

The teams were :-H.K.H.C .:- Woodman, goal; Gibson and and Bird, forwards.

Stephen, Captain Hill, and Genu Powar, halves; T. Jodow, M. Jadaw, Lieutenant Heath, T. Saluuke, and K. Ghorospore, forwards.

AN INTER-" OCEAN" GAME. The Ward Room mess of H.M.S. Ocean played the Gun Room mess of H.M.S. Ocean in a game of bookey at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon. The game resulted :- Ward Room, 3; Gun Room, 2.

already shown or the future should reveal tha | HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LD.

The following is the fifteenth report of the by English refiners, that legislation will not board of directors to the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the company's offices, Our exports to foreign countries, in actual Victoria Buildings, at noon on Wednesday, the

December, 1903, including \$51,707.26 balance brought forward from last account, after paying all charges, amount to \$457,470.23 From this amount an interim dividend of \$6 per share has already been paid After transferring \$250,000 from equalisation I am very conscious of having already of dividend fund to profit and loss account it is trespassed too much on your indulgence, and now proposed to pay a final dividend of \$6 per therefore cannot now discuss the principles share, maintaining the usual dividend of 12 underlying my Imperial Helief. We are all per cent. per annum on the capital, and after Sinfluenced by the power which national senti- writing off directors' and auditors' fees there ment exerts upon the minds of men in their remains a balance of \$51,966,63 to be carried most practical relations. The fact that forward to the credit of a new profit and loss

Mr. D. M. Moses having resigned his cent-

Messrs, A. J. Raymond and J. H. Lowis now retire by rotation, but offer themselves for

re-election: In the absence of Mr. J. C. Poter, the accounts have been nudited by Mr. T. Arnold in conjunction with Mr. C. W. May, who now retire but offer themselves for re-election.

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31st Dec., 1903. By undivided profits, 1902 By profit on sales of property.....

By unclaimed dividends By transfer from equalisation of dividend

KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING CO., LD.

FIFTMENTH ORDINARY MEETING.

The fifteenth ordinary meeting of shareholders in this Company was held at the Company's offices, Victoria Buildings, yesterday at noon, for the year ending 31st December, 1903. There were present: -Messrs, T. H. Reid (chairman), and W. H. Gaskell (directors), J. R. Michael, T. Skinner, E. B. Shepherd, M. S. Northcote, S. J. Michael, and A. Shelton Hooper (secretary).

After the notice convening the meeting had been read the CHAIRMAN said: -Gentlemen, with your permission, we will take the report and accounts as read. I am glad to be able to say that the steady progress of the company still continues, the net profits for the past year being ever \$800 more than those of the previous

year. This is all the more satisfactory when we beer in mind that the exterior of Knutsford Torrace has been done up thoroughly, a water main laid, and each house provided with a separate meter, and the total cost paid for and written off. The whole of the houses are let satisfactorily, and there is no reason to anticipate any diminution of the rent roll. I have nothing further to add, but I shall be pleased to

answer any questions. There being no questions the CHAIRMAN proposed and Mr. J. R. MICHAEL seconded, that the report and accounts as presented be adopted

Mr. SKINNER proposed the confirmation of this game ended in a win for the 110th Mabratta | the appointment of Messrs. W. H. Gaskell and Light Infantry. Heath scored three goals for T. F. Hough on the Board of Directors in place that team; T. Sahuke one. The game ended: of Messrs. J. H. Cox and E. Jones Hughes. Mr. S. J. MICHAEL seconded, and the motion was

Mr. J. E. MICHAEL-I should like to make Davies, backs; do Veulle, Chater, and Warre, a remark, Mr. Chairman. I find that the lialves; Ross, Woodhouse, Stephens, Barnes, Directors' fees are only \$150 which, I think, is a very small amount for their trouble. I wish 110 Mahrattas :- A. Kahn, goal; Captain | the Company would consider the advisability Britten, and Vishun Gone, backs; Captain of increasing that amount, either at an extraordinary meeting or any other suitable time.

am sure they deserve more. The CHAIRMAN -I think we had better

proceed to the next business first. Mr. J. R. MICHAEL proposed and Mr. E. B. SHEPHERD seconded that Messrs. W. H. Gaskell and T. F. Hough be re-elected to the directorate.

Mr. SKINNER proposed, Mr. S. J. MICHAEL second-d, and it was agreed, that Mesers. C. W.

May and T. Arnold be re-elected auditors. The CHARRMAN - I may say that the directors are very pleased to have the suggestion from Mr. Michael with regard to their remaneration. The matter has been considered informally and possibly it may be brought The not profits for the year ending 31st before the shareholders at a subsequent meeting.

The CHAIRMAN thanked shareholders for their attendance, and announced that dividend warrants would be ready to-morrow. That was all the business.

INCREASE OF THE POLICE FORCE

The following paper was submitted at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday :--

Government House, Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. Sir,-I recently referred the question of increasing the police force to the Colonial Secretary and Acting Captain Superintendent of Police for report, and I have now the honour to inform you that this question has been carefully considered by the Colonial Secretary and Captain Lyous, who had, under date of the 29th September, asked that 50 Chinese Police might be temporarily engaged and paid for out of lapsing salaries in the Department in order to tide over the season immediately preceding the Chinese New Year, when there is usually an accession of crime.

2. It is found that, owing to the ext usion of the area of the city by the Praya Reclamation which is now largely built over, the extensive building that has taken place on the new roads on the upper levels (Macdonnell and Conduit Roads) and extensions of the city eastwards, the addition of 21 night beats and 17 day beats in the City of Victoria is required. To keep these bests covered 55 men are required, while 14 additional men are wanted to cover new beats and patrols in the Kowloon Peniusula rendered necessary by the large additions of buildings

that have been made there recently. Owing to the increase in the Chinese population, which it is estimated is greater by 33,090 persons than it was in 1901, when the last consus was taken, and to the increased number of steamers running between Hongkong, Canton and Macao, all of which have to be watched by the Police, an increase of 6 men is required for the Chinese Detective Staff. This makes a total

3. The Police in the New Territory have, however, during last year and this year, been reduced by 21 men, and these men are already utilised to cover some of the new ground. Consequently after making due allowance for mon sick and on leave it is calulated that an addition of 60 constables will amply suffice for all present requirements. From this number, 10 already provided for in 1904 Estimates (2 of the 12 men actually provided are required for Capsuimun Station) can be deducted, leaving 50 as the number to be provided.

4. The Acting Captain Superintendent of Police recommends, and I concur with him, that the 50 men should be Chinese constables of the 2nd class, and I attach a statement which shows that the cost of this addition to the Force and of appointing 6 more Chinese Detectives will be \$10,36 for next year.

5. The Colonial Secretary also made certain of service of the Chinese Land and Water The shroff told him that he wanted pay- of "Maharaj" (Philanthropist). He has left 98,765.89 recommendations for improving the conditions Police. I approve of all of these recommendations and I have included them in the statement attached. If they receive your sanction the total additional expenditure involved will be \$4,215, including certain increases to the Chinese Barrack and Station Sergeants in the Water Police, which have been recommended by

Captain Lyons. 6. In order to house these additional Police, recommend that another storey be added to the Central Police Station.

This will give accommodation for 54 additional Asiatic Police besides providing, by a re-arrangement of rooms, increased store and office accommodation, both of which are much needed owing to the large increase in numbers of the Force since the acquisition of the New Territory, and the addition of an Assistant Superintendent of Police for Victoria, who has at present no office.

The Barracks are at present so overcrewded that some 25 Chinese constables are housed in a matshed in the compound of the station. This. is a very unsatisfactory arrangement. additional storey will enable these men to be brought within the building and will also afford accommodation for those of the extra Police (25) who will be allocated to the Central District. Room can be found in the Eastern and Western Districts of the City for the additional men allocated to them, while in the Kowloon Peninsula some additional accommodation can be pro-

vided at small cost at Yaumati and Hunghom. 7. The cost of an additional storey to the Central Police Station is estimated at \$28,000. while \$500 will be required to accommodate some 50 of the Police who must vacate a portion of the Barracks during the alteration.

I have to ask your authority to incur this expenditure, together with the sum necessary to defray the cest of increase of Police and of salaries shown in schedule. (Schedule not printed).

9. I attach copy of a report (not printed which I called for from the Senior olice Magistrate and the Acting Captain Superintendent of Police on the increase of crime and increased number of prisoners in the gaol. This report shows that there was a large increase in crime in the first quarter of the current year and a still further increase in the third quarter of the

This increase in crime is, in my opinion, largely due to the increased number of steamers running between Hongkong and Canton and Hougkong and Macao and to the reduction of fares as the result of competition in the traffic.

Six steamers run daily now to Canton, whereas formerly there were only 3, and the fares have been reduced since the end of last year from 60 cents to 30 cents for Chinese 2nd class passongers. A thief can visit Hongkong from Canton

for 60 cents now, and this no doubt tempts many to do se, while the increased channels of escape make the detection of crime

approve of the recommendations made I should | said sh ;) on the 10th inst. at sea, and disobeying be glad if you would telegraph your sanction | the la. ful commands on the 11th inst. nader in order that steps may be taken to increase the accommodation at the Central Station during the dry season and for recruiting the necessary men .- I have, &c.,

H. A. BLAKE, Governor.

Secretary of State's approval received by sober?-No, Your Worship, I do not. telegram dated the 14th December, 1903.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, 20th January.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

DISCHARGED BY PROCLAMATION. The only case remaining to be disposed of was that in which Captain Dominic Bazin was charged with criminal libel. The Hon. Attorney-General Sir Henry S. Berkeley appeared for the Crown (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor), and Mr. M. W. Slade, barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. R. Harding, of Messrs, Ewens & Perston, solicitors), appeared for the defence.

The Attorney General stated that he had no case against the defendant and did not intend to

Defendant was accordingly discharged by proclamation.

This closed the Sessions. The Court rose at 10.5 a.m.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. WISE

(PUISNE JUDGE).

A CHANGE OF FIRM. The Chinese American Commercial Company, merchants, 21, Connaught Road, sue the-Hang Chung Tai and the Hang Chung Loong firms, watchmakers, 140 Bonham Strand, and Wong King and Tam Tin, partners therein, for \$537.61 in respect of goods sold and delivered. Mr. H. W. Looker of Mosses. Dencon, Looker and Deacon, solicitors, appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. F. X. d'Almada e Ca-tro, solicitor, for the Hang Chung Loong and Tam Tin.

Mr. Looker-We say they are the same firm. shop shuffle, I suppose.

Hang Chang Tai and Wong King. Mr. Looker went on to explain that the Pallanjee and Co. of Hongkong and Shanghai, plaintiffs sold some goods in the early part of the oldest established Indian mercantile houses in last year to the Hang Chung Tai who carried | the Far East, died suddenly, of heart failure, at on business as watchmakers, and the man then his residenc, Chardanwady, Bombay, on Thursin charge, apparently the master, was Worg day, the 24th ult. Born at Rustompoora, Surat, King. There was a talance of some \$900 in 1819, at the age of five years he was taken by remaining in respect of the payment for these his parents to Bombay, where, when his educagoods, but somewhere atout November of last | tion was completed, he joined his brother's firm, year Wong King paid \$400 on account. He wherein he acquired a thorough insight into often came to plaintiffs' shop and they went to commercial affairs. In 1843 he took a trip to his to press for payment. This business had been | China to look into mercantile conditions and carried on always by two men, one of whom the possibilities, and returned again in 1849 to Chinese referred to as Smith, who appeared to establish the fi m at Shanghai. He was be the manager. On 30th November plaintiffs' shroff went to the Hung Chung Tai shop to ask for payment of the outstanding account. and Smith told him that the master (presumably Wong King) had gone to Macae. On 2nd that occasion was told that the master had not | recognised by all with whom he was brought the shop-style had been altered and the business to mourn his loss .- Contributed. had been bought on 2nd December by Tam Tiu, Plaintiffs admitted that the sale had been advertised but alleged that it was purposely put into the smallest of the six

Chinese newspapers and the only one which plaintiffs did not take in, of which fact, they said, Wong King had knowledge. Evidence was taken. For the defence the case was that the sale

sale, that he was not responsible for the render's debts and that the sale was duly advertised. His Lordship gave judgment for the defendants with costs.

POLICE COURT.

Wednesday, 20th January.

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMDE SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

DIBOBETING ORDER OF BARISHMENT. Choi Chung, and Chan Fan, of no occupation and no fixed abode, were charged with disobeying the order for their banishment, by returning to the Colony on the 19th inst. They pleaded that they were on their way to Singapore, but as that, whother it was so or not, did not justify their presence in this Colony again, His Worship sentenced them each to 12 months' imprisonment, with 8 hours in the stocks,

You Him and fifteen other Chinese were charged with using a house as a common gambling dev, and with gambling therein. The first defendant being the owner of the house was fined \$25, and the other fifteen \$3 each. DISOBEDIENT SERVANT.

For disobeying the orders of his mistress, an refusing point blank to do as he was told, Tar Yo. chair-coolie, was fined \$10 with the alternative of 14 days' imprisonment.

MARINE COURT.

Wednesday, 20th January.

BEFORE HON, BASIL TAYLOR (ACTING MARINE MAGISTRATE).

ALLEGED BERIOUS OFFENCE BY AN OFFICER

H. Pritchard, third mate of the China Manila s.s. Rubi, was charged by Capt. Robert

White Almond, master of the Rubi, with having bent drunk and asleep while on duty on the 10. I consider therefore that the increase in bridge and thereby endangering the lives or Police is urgently required, and should you limbs of persons belonging to or on board the 220 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894.

Capt. Almond having been sworn, Hon. Basil Taylor asked prisoner whether he pleaded guilty or not guilty. After the prisoner muttered something under

his breath, Hon. Basil Taylor, addressing the sergeant said :- Do you consider the prisoner The case was therefore adjourned.

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OBITUARY.

There has lately passed away in Bombay one His Lordship-It is the usual New Year of the oldest Parsee merchants of China, at the ripe age of 84 years. Mr. Cooverjee Bomanjee Mr. d'Almada, said he knew nothing about | Setna, senior partner in the firms of Curaetjee Bomanjee and Co. of Bombay, and Cowasjee endowed with a remarkable memory, and strange indeed were the experiences he was wont to relate which be underwent here in those days, when this Colony was but in its infancy. His popularity was well-deserved, for his talents December the shroff went back again and on were great and varied, and his business acumen returned. On the 7th he again went back and into commercial relations. Genial in manuer, having asked the same man if the master had of a charitable disposition, he earned for returned the mun asked him what he wanted. bimself among his intimates the nickname ment of this account. Smith thereupon four sons, three daughters, and forty-seven said that Wong King was not now master; grandchildren, besides a wide circle of friends,

SHIPPING NOTES.

WEATHER OUTSIDE.

Moderate monsoon. CALCUTIA TO HONGKONG.

Capt. J. G. Spence, of the Apear s.s. Lightning, reports fine weather between Calcutta and Hongkong. She left Calcutta 31st ult., Singapore 13th just, arriving to Hongkong yesterday. of the busines to Tam Tin was a bona-fide

THE FORMOSA CHANNEL. The China Navigation Co.'s s.s. Taiyuan arrived from Kobe via Kuchinotzu yesterday with passengers, general cargo, and mail. Capt L. Dawson reports strong N.E. wind and heavy sea in Formosa Channel.

AN OCEAN GREYHOUND, The transport Syriais the first German ocean steamer coming direct from home to Tsingtoo. It is said that the Hamburg-America Line have made arrangements for an entertainment on board the Syria for the occasion, at which, besides the Gevernor of Kiaochau, Prince Adalbert of Prussia, as also the Admirals and

Commanders of the German war-ships, will be

SAILING-SHIP BACE FROM PHILADELPHIA. The American (though British built) sailing ship Kenilworth, Cuptain St. Clair, which now lying off Yokaya discharging oil and war the Standard Oil godowns, is the tictor in a long ocean race. The competing ship is the British barque Lyndhurst, Captain Parnell, which left Philadelphia a week before the Kenilworth.

NAVAL ETIQUETTE. An incident is reported to have occurred in

a recent exchange of salutes between Japanese

and foreign warships at Nagasaki. It appears that the Japanese training ship Hashidate arrived at that port on the 28th ult., when the Gorman flagship Fürst Bismarck (with a Rear-Admiral on board) and the Italian flagship Vettor Pisani (commanded by a Captain acting as a Rear-Admiral) were staying there. As soon as the Hashidate fired the usual salute of 11 guns in courtesy to the two foreign admirals, an Italian officer was sent to the Japanese worship, from whose commander he asked the firing of five more guns on an allegation that only six guns had, been fired by the Japanese ship. The commander of the Rashidate, however, insisted courteously that he had fired 11 guus exactly, and politely dismissed the Italian complainant. The Italian officer in charge having presumably found his counting incorrect, the Vettor Pisani returned II guns in honour of the Hashidate afterwards.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS. The C. C. steamer Athell arrived at Masszanillo on the 15th inst. The C. C steamer Chingwo left Tacoma on

the 12th for Moji and Hongkong. The C. C. steamer Lothian left Yokohama for Moji and Hongkong on the 16th inst. The A L. steamer Maria Valerie left Shanghai for this port yesterday, p.m.

The C.N. steamer Teinan from Australian Ports left Manila on the 18th inst., and is expeated to arrive here to-morrow. The Indo-China steamer Kumsung from

Calcutta and Straits left Singapore for this port on 19th inst., at 5 p.m.



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> IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

COMPANIES (WINDING UP).

IN THE MATTER OF THE WO ON STEAMSHIE COMPANY, LIMITED, IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCES 1865 to 1899. .

DY ORDER of The Supreme Court dated the 14th day of January, 1904, Mr. ARTHUR RYLANDS LOWE has been appointed Liquidator of the above-named Company without a Committee of inspection. Dated this 20th January, 1904.

DEACON, LOOKER, & DEACON, Solicitors for the Liquidator.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE WO ON STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,

INTHEMATTER OF THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCES 1865 to 1899.

OTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by an Order made by The Supreme Court in the above matter dated the 14th day of January, 1904, on the Petition of the abovenamed Company, It was ordered that The WO ON STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, be wound up by the Court under the provisions of the Companies Ordinances

Dated this 20th day of January, 1904. Liquidator.

CONCERT.

the Officer Administering the Government and Mrs MA1; Rear-Admiral and Mrs. ROBINSON; Sir WILLIAM and Lady GOODMAN, &c.

MADAME C NDUTTI, RUSSIAN PIANIST (Pupil of Rubinstein),

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No. 6, ROBINSON ROAD. And others to suit various requirements. S. A. SETH. Land and Estate Broker. Hongkong, 21st January, 1904.

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TERMS VERY MODERATE. Consultation Free. Hongkong, 21st March, 1903.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the City Hall on TUESDAY, JANUARY 26th,

at NOON. ROSE GOMPERTZ, Hon. Secretary, Hongkong, 19th January, 1904

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

TROM this date and until after the 25th February next, HORSES and/or Mongoliu and Marmora. PUNIES not entered for the Forthcoming Races will not be allowed on the Race or Training Course between the hours of 6 and 8 A.M. Members may exercise unentered Horses or Ponces after 8 A. M. on the Training Course.

By Order, T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 19th January, 1904.

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HOUSE at the Peak for the Summer Months. Apply to-

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Apply to-Messrs. GIBB. LIVINGSTON & CO., Professor F. F. WALLACE, of Rose-[242 mount Dancing Academy, Glasgow) Hongkony. Hongkong, 16th January, 1904.

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Salary \$50.00 per mensem and house allowance 6.00 per mensem. Second Class passage provided to Kudat. Three months' notice on either side to be given. Apply to-

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Business of AH MEN and HING CHEONG & CO., Tailors, will be CARRIED ON from the 17th inst. at No. QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, opposite to the Connaught House Hotel. Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.

THE HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY CO., LD. (In Liquidation.)

THE above Company, being in Liquidation, will CEASE baking and supplying Bread, Cakes, etc., after the 31st instant. THE HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY CO., LD. LANE. CRAWFORD & CO.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 16th January, 1904

DENINGULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON. On and after the 1st January, 1904, the Passage Rates will be by Mail steamers :---Second Saloon First Saloon

· £14 To London £65 To Marseilles £61 To Brindisi £61 Return tickets are issued at a fare and a balf

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bring either their wives and the members of Hongkong, lst May, 1902. W TONGKONG & SHANGHAL BANK. ING CORPORATION.

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Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

PAID-UP CAPITAL 2 824,37 HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE Undersigned are prepared to accept | CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. | J.S. Harston, Esq. First Class Foreign and Chinese RISKS | CHOWTUNG SHANG, Esq. J. LAUTS, Esc. Chief Manager.

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the 22nd day of JANUARY, 1904, at 3 o'clock at

in two Lots:--Lot 1.-The VALUABLE LEASEHOLD MESSUAGES and PREMISES known as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Ping On Lane situate on Inland Lot No. 1608, which are held for the residue of a term of 940 years created by the Crown Lease thereof, Crown Bent \$22. 2.-The VALUABLE LEASEHOLD

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For further particulars, apply to Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, DENNYS & BOWLEY, Supreme Court House. Solicitors for the Mortgagee.

PUBLIC AUCTION. R. GEO. P. LAMMERT has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

Hongkong, 12th January, 1904.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23rd, 1904, at the HILLIER STREET WHARF, Hongkong at 12 noon. THE S.S. "SAN CHEUNG."

where she will then be lying. This vessel is a Twin, screw steamer of the following dimensions and tonnage:- I ength over all 200 feet; Breadth at deck level 33 feet; Depth of hold 9 feet; gross tonnage 951 tons; Nett tonnage 770 tons, She is fitted throughout with electric light, and holds a Mongkong Passengers' Certificate, and can carry 1,100 Chinese and 26 s loon passengers.

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MONDAY. the 25th JANUARY, 1904, at S P.M., on the spot, The Several Lots Numbered 1 to 19 on Plan to be seen at the Austieneer's Office, for erection of BOOTHS AND MATSHEDS

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HE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. A GUSTAV ADOLF MELCHERS in our Firm Ceased by mutual consent on the 31st December, 1903.

MELCHERS & CO. Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing between myself and Mr. JOHN HASTINGS having been dissolved by effluxion of time, my business will in future be carried on under the Firm name of DEACON

LOOKER and DEACON. VICTOR H. DEACON. 10. Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1904.

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NAVIGATION CO., LD. JOINT SERVICES.

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"PINGSUEY"

On 26th January.

GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL "MOYUNE" GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL "GLAUCUS" GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL "PAK LING" GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL "AGAMEMNON' GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL "MENELAUS" GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL "EHIPEUS"	On 19th February.
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A MINISTER DE	On 21st January.
* LIVERPOOL, WITH THAN "YANGTSZE"	On 21st January.
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LONDON and ANTWERP "NESTOR" LONDON and ANTWERP "KINTUCK" "MOYUNE" LONDON and ANTWERP "MOYUNE" Taking Cargo for Liverpool as	On 2nd February. On 16th February. On 1st Murch.

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TO BAIL STEAMBERS On 28th January. "PINGSUEY" VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and) "AGAMEMNON" ... On 20th February, all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA For Freight, apply to-

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS. [10-11] Hongkong, 21st January, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION LIMITED.

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MANILA. SHANGHAI SHANGHAI KOBE	+ "HANYANG" + "YOCHOW"	On 21st January. On 21st January. On 22nd January. On 26th January.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY) ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE,	. * "ANHUI",	On 28th January.
CETATEN and MELBOURNE		ation affered by thes

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1904. FURTLAND & ASLATIC STEAMSHIP CO

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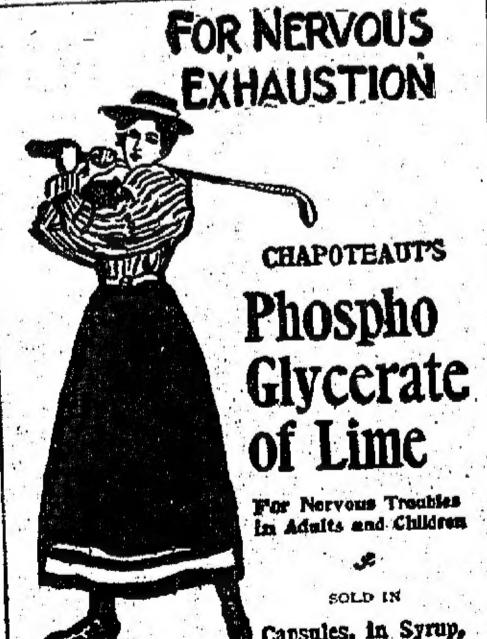
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ports, left Port Darwin on the 11th inst., and is expected here to-day. The A. L. steamer Maria Valerie left Shanghai for this port on the 18th inst., p.m. The C. C. steamer Lothian left Yokohama for Meji and Hongkong on the 16th inst.

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